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A FOUR-YEAR PROGRAM FOR PHILADELPHIA Things which the people expect the new administration to accomplish...

SHOULD ELECT GALLAGHER THERE is a square-cut issue in the First Congressional district...

James Gallagher is the anti-Vare, pro-administration candidate, with the nomination of a group of independent Republicans...

The election of Gallagher will be like taking into the directorate of a great business corporation a man fitted by training and abilities to participate intelligently in the conduct of the business.

The election of Pommer would be like promoting to the directorate of a bank a messenger to whom in the past nothing more important has been entrusted than the carrying of a bag of securities from one bank to another.

If the people of South Philadelphia wish a real representative in the Council to whom they can go with confidence that they are dealing with a principal they will elect Gallagher by an overwhelming majority next Tuesday.

If they wish a man who will be merely a messenger for someone else they will elect Pommer.

No one need take seriously the talk about police intimidation of voters in South Philadelphia at the instigation of the Mayor or his friends.

South Philadelphians began some months ago to break the stranglehold of the Vares upon them. They have an opportunity next Tuesday to continue the good work.

THE FIREARM FOLLY THE comfortable belief that fire restrictions surrounded the sale of firearms has of late been rudely shattered.

The need for more stringent regulations is obvious, and Mayor Moore undoubtedly reflects the sentiment of the public in his desire for a new and more effective law.

A NEW ROLE FOR THE STATE PROSPECTS of a tangible and long-needed business reform are contained in the plan to invest the state with the functions of guaranteeing, protecting and investigating titles to land.

In the interim the commission appointed by the Governor to inquire into the system of recording deeds has evolved a program based largely on the Torrens method.

The salient feature of the scheme is a court consisting of three judges who shall sit in Harrisburg or at various county seats.

ance field is established by an amendment to the Pennsylvania constitution adopted in 1915. The expense of the entire legislative machinery is estimated to be about \$50,000.

MUCH HEAT, LITTLE LIGHT, IN THE CLOSING CAMPAIGN

Too Many Personalities Confuse the Fight on a Lazy, Hypnotized and Inexpert Democracy

ONLY last week every one was complaining because the campaign was cold. It is cold no more. There is plenty of heat in it now.

The battle is one of parties, not of men. Defeat represents the only mode of discipline that can keep any party in order after long-continued power has made it vain, lazy, cocksure, reckless and inefficient.

That is the simple truth. But campaign managers and their aides are seldom content to utter it.

The Harding of the enemy propagandists is made to appear like a treacherous and evasive man.

Mr. Tumulty did a very good thing very badly when, in his unique address the other night, he sought to show how thoroughly and cleverly Mr. Wilson has been misunderstood.

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and other Republicans are not as fully aware as Mr. Wilson of the need of a new scheme of international relations founded for that great purpose is to be utterly blinded by prejudice.

Mr. Harding and his advisers have sought to go slowly and with care because it is their aim, first of all, to safeguard the power which, embodied in the United States alone, can make that experiment successful and workable.

To what extent shall we be able to re-establish the ideals and aims out of which the original plan grew? Will European governments relinquish all new policies of imperialistic expansion even if we enter the league?

These are questions which the whole question of our foreign relations with fresh eyes, a government that will not be under any obligations or inhibitions because of past promises or performances.

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dered to confine its activities within the four corners of the law creating it. The company is not compelled to ask for an immediate suspension of its appeal.

Clearly all the facts behind this peculiar transaction have not yet been made public. But they should and must be.

IT IS always interesting to see an individual make good on his own merits and resources. The same thing applies to corporations. Trusts may be feared. They are hardly to be admired. Who or what couldn't succeed with unlimited backing and in a field exclusively controlled?

Dim memories are still held of the days when the Standard Oil Company was split into component parts. There was no telling how those various "detached" corporations would make out. It can now, however, be reported with considerable conviction that the independent "oil" organizations have suffered keenly.

The Standard Oil Company of Indiana, for instance, has done very well. A stock dividend was this week declared of one share and a half for every share held. The par value of this largest amount to \$45,000,000.

Plainly a fragment of a dissolved trust is well out of the woods. Indeed, it may be said to be dispersing itself right merrily in the honor of the new melon patch.

By no means. The real thing is taking place in the more properly agitated ocean of Halifax today.

Nobody goes to Halifax for fine weather and gorgeous zephyrs. The Yankee seaman Esperanto and the Canadian two-muster Delawanna are seeking for no such doubtful favors.

Today's race, the first of a series of three, will not be sailed until the wind is blowing at least nine knots and even twenty-five knots will be just as welcome.

The race is one of the last of the notable international contests of 1920. No matter who is the victor, apologies for the conditions under which the race is entered are out of order.

THE Public Service Commission of this state has joined with similar bodies in other states in a protest against the power of the Federal Interstate Commerce Commission to fix freight and passenger rates within state boundaries.

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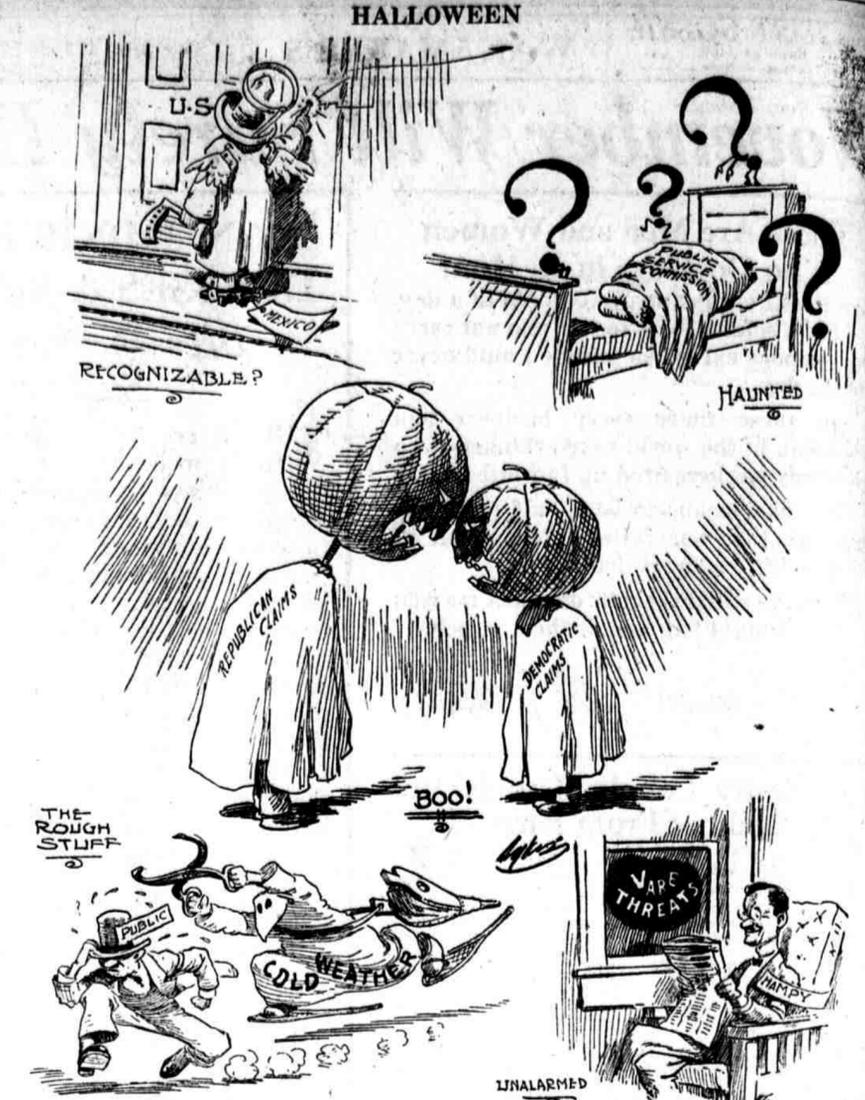
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NOW MY IDEA IS THIS! Daily Talks With Thinking Philadelphians on Subjects They Know Best

LIEUT. COL. JOHN A. WAGNER, On Work of the Schuylkill Arsenal PHILADELPHIA has an institution which furnishes the flags, uniforms and equipment for the greater part of the United States army.

The authority for this statement is Lieutenant Colonel John A. Wagner, newly appointed commander of the Schuylkill Arsenal, the institution to which he refers as being undervalued in this city.

The Schuylkill Arsenal was founded in 1798. Colonel Wagner said, "occupying then as now the area between Grays Ferry road, the river, the Pennsylvania Railroad tracks and Peltz street. The government owned the property, but received by James McHenry. It forms one unit, and by far the largest of the Philadelphia depot of the quartermaster's corps under the command of Colonel J. B. Houston. Its period of industrial expansion started in 1907.

"In the old days coats were the only articles manufactured, and at one time there were only sixty employees in the arsenal. Now there are 500 employees, and they are now practically every piece of clothing that a United States soldier wears, in addition to the government flags and all the tents now being manufactured. More machinery is now being installed in the arsenal for more buildings, and it is for this reason that the need for more operators is becoming so strongly felt.

Workers Well Treated "We get our workers by means of the civil service, not through educational examinations of any sort, but merely tests of their character and experience. They work eight hours a day, have the usual thirty-day government vacation and receive \$240 bonus a year.

"The buildings are all old, but they are equipped in the most up-to-date manner, and the rooms are modern for people to live in. The buildings are devoted almost completely to manufacturing. Others are for housing the workers.

Room at the Top Mr. Millerand has taken on the presidency of the French Republic in succession to M. Paul Deschanel, who has retired in a dilapidated state of health.

Answers to Yesterday's Quiz 1. What American state was formerly governed by its own Presidents? Rhode Island.

2. In what general direction does the river Rhine flow? North.

3. What is the literal meaning of the word "veto"? I forbid.

4. What is an unbracket? A bracket.

5. What state is Governor Coolidge a native of? Massachusetts.

SHORT CUTS Squirrel Day. On Tuesday next ever so many free and independent male citizens will let Georgia do it.

Halloween this year will have its usual parade of nuts. The man who can't get some joy out of Halloween is a poor nut.

We note the nut is still mistaking the hunter for the squirrel. By way of a Halloween disguise, some of the girls might wash the paint off their faces.

Perhaps some "master mind" can furnish the Public Service Commission with an alibi. Come to think of it, ever so many of the members of the builders' trust appear to be brinded.

You will have noticed by this time that the temperature drops much more rapidly than prices. One reason we rejoice at the end of the British coal strike is because of the disappointment it will cause Lenin and Trotsky.

Any concessions England makes to Germany at the present time may safely be put down to commercial acumen rather than to altruism. The League of Nations has reached a point where it can order a plebiscite with the sang froid of somebody's stenographer on a nut sunda.

So far from England's leniency to Germany being an example for France to follow, it is a gesture that should make it easier for France to collect what Germany rightfully owes her.

If election were held on Halloween time might be saved by holding two elections at once. The idea is respectfully referred to national efficiency experts.

At least it must be admitted that the man who goes with a lighted candle to look for a gas leak will always find it if it is there. Many a wife will declare that it is the only thing a man can be expected to find.

What the Mayor must realize, before definitely and finally turning down the recommendations of classification experts, is that good men sooner or later demand good pay; and, sooner or later, get it; if not in one place then in another.

Attorney General Palmer has appointed a special assistant to the district attorney to conduct a federal investigation into the alleged combination in the building contractor's market in New York city. And just when the public was beginning to believe that something was going to be done about it!

French apprehension at the course of England in renouncing treaty rights to confiscate private German property in the event of Germany's default in paying the indemnity demanded of her may be unwarranted. England's course does not necessarily establish a precedent for her sister nation across the channel.

By our own minstrel troupe: Mr. Johnson, why is do dust of April like de last day of October? I don't know, Mr. Bones. Why is the first of April like the last day of October? De dust of April is like de last day of October 'cos dey both is nut celebrations. Mr. Tambo will now oblige with the heart-stirring ditty entitled "And What Is the Matter With Election Day?"